

The Board of Public Works, of the State of Maryland, met at the office of John M. Dennis, in the Union Trust Company Building, in the City of Baltimore, State of Maryland, Thursday, June 1, 1916. Present: Hugh A. McMullen, Comptroller of the Treasury of Maryland, and John M. Dennis, Treasurer of Maryland. Governor Emerson C. Harrington was not present.

On motion of Mr. McMullen which was seconded, put and carried, Mr. Dennis was elected Chairman.

Bids were opened from American Bank Note Company, Philadelphia, Pa., for \$780; from A. Hoen & Co., Baltimore, for \$2500 (divided as stated in letter); and from the Security Bank Note Co., for \$900 (by Cero method, or \$1450, using steel plate already on hand) for 5,000 Maryland State bonds as per letters of specification.

On motion, bid of Security Bank Note Company for all steel plate work at \$1450.00 was accepted, provided the bonds could be delivered by July 20, 1916, and Harry J. Hopkins was authorized to place the order for the same.

On motion of Mr. Hugh A. McMullen, which was seconded, put and carried, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"BE IT ORDERED, That in accordance with Chapters 142 and 681 of the Acts of 1916, the Governor, Comptroller of the Treasury and Treasurer of the State be and they hereby are authorized and directed to advertise twice a week for four successive weeks, in the Baltimore Sun, the Baltimore American and the Baltimore News, the first insertion to bear date the 7th day of June, 1916, that the Governor, the Comptroller and the Treasurer will receive, in the office of the Treasurer, at Annapolis, Maryland, at any time up to twelve o'clock, noon, of Wednesday, the 19th day of July, 1916, bids for bonds to be issued under the provisions of said respective Acts; said bids to be contained in sealed envelopes, appropriately endorsed, and each bid to be accompanied by a certified check upon some responsible banking institution, drawn to the order of the Treasurer of Maryland, for five per centum of the amount of such bid. All bids will be opened at twelve o'clock, noon, on Wednesday, the 19th day of July, 1916.

Said bonds shall be dated the first day of August, 1916, and they shall bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum,

payable semi-annually on the first days of February and August, respectively, during the continuance of said loans. Said bonds shall be of the denomination of \$1000.00 each, all shall be subject to registration as to principal, and all shall be issued with interest coupons attached, and shall be deliverable on the first day of August, 1916. The said bonds shall be issued upon the Serial Annuity Plan, as provided in said respective Acts.

The right shall be reserved to accept one bid for all of each of said loans, as may, in each case, produce the largest amounts; and the right shall also be reserved to accept bids for parts of each of said loans, but not for all, and to reject all bids or any bids.

The Governor, Comptroller and Treasurer shall cause to be prepared bonds in good and sufficient form for the amount of said loans."

A letter dated May 26, 1916, to Mr. McMullen from W. Mason Shehan, relative to office furniture for the Fire Marshal's Office was submitted to the Board, and the Secretary was directed to confer with Mr. Griebel and if the furniture referred to was not needed, that Mr. Shehan be permitted to use the part necessary for furnishing the Fire Marshal's office.

On motion of Mr. McMullen, the Secretary was requested to furnish the Board a written opinion on the question of whether the proceeds of sale of one of the State steamers could be secured to the State Treasury.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to write the different State Boards, Commissions and office holders having State property in possession, to furnish the Board an inventory, with valuation, of all State property in their possession, and requesting the said Boards, etc., to furnish the Board a statement of the insurance carried on said property, and the rate paid, together with the date of the expiration of said policies.

A letter from C. C. Culpepper relative to property described but for which funds for payment were not appropriated, was read, and the Board directed that the receipt of the letter be acknowledged. No further action was taken as the Board had no

means of providing the necessary funds for payment.

Bond of Mr. Frank H. Zouck, Chairman of the State Road Commission, was submitted to the Board, and the Secretary was directed to return the same and have condition included that Mr. Zouck faithfully account for all moneys received by him.

Letter of J. Ben Brown submitting specifications for work on State House was read and the Secretary was directed to submit said specifications to five or more contractors for bids for said work.

King Brothers, Printers, were before the Board relative to their bill for work done in printing third reading bills, which work was not included in their printing contract, the price being \$1.75 per page. Mr. King stated that the Legislative Committee on Printing made the contract with them at the price named. The Board requested King Brothers to secure for the Board a statement from the Chairman of said Committee confirming the contract.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

*H. J. Murray*  
Secretary.